

## Message Text

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ACTION EA-12

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-05 H-01 INR-10  
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TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8697  
INFO AMEMBASSY JAKARTA  
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CINCPAC HONOLULU HI

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EO 11652: NA  
TAGS: PINT, TH  
SUBJ: PRIME MINISTER KRIANGSAK PUBLICALLY NONCOMMITTAL  
ON HIS POLITICAL FUTURE

1. IN IMPROMPTU REMARKS TO PRESS OUTSIDE GOVERNMENT HOUSE  
AUGUST 1 PRIME MINISTER KRIANGSAK SAID HE WOULD NOT COMMIT  
HIMSELF ON HIS POLITICAL FUTURE AND HAD NOT RPT NOT  
DECIDED WHETHER HE WILL RUN IN THE FORTHCOMING ELECTIONS,  
AS HE WISHES TO CONSIDER WHAT THE NEW CONSTITUTION  
PROVIDES. HOWEVER, HE REPEATED AN EARLIER STATEMENT THAT  
HE WOULD ENTER POLITICS IF HE "COULD BE HELPFUL OR  
BENEFICIAL TO THE COUNTRY."

2. BANGKOK WORLD AUGUST 1, REPORTING SAME REMARKS,  
INTERPRETED THEM AS MEANING THAT KRIANGSAK WOULD NOT RPT  
NOT RUN IN ELECTIONS, QUOTING HIM AS SAYING, "IF IT IS NOT  
NECESSARY, I WON'T RUN IN THE ELECTIONS. IT DEPENDS ON  
MANY REASONS, ONE OF WHICH IS WHAT THE CONSTITUTION WILL  
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LOOK LIKE."

3. COMMENT: WE BELIEVE THAT KRIANGSAK HAS NOT FIRMLY  
DECIDED AS YET ON WHAT HIS NEXT POLITICAL STEP WILL BE,  
PENDING COMPLETION AND APPROVAL OF THE CONSTITUTION. HE  
HAS CERTAINLY NOT COMMUNICATED HIS VIEWS ON THE MATTER TO  
HIS CLOSE ASSOCIATES AND WOULD NOT CHOOSE A CHANCE

ENCOUNTER WITH THE PRESS OUTSIDE HIS OFFICE TO PREMATURELY  
ANNOUNCE HIS INTENTIONS. WE BELIEVE HE WILL WAIT UNTIL  
THE ELECTIONS AND POLITICAL PARTIES LAWS ARE COMPLETED  
BEFORE ANNOUNCING HIS FUTURE POLITICAL PLANS.  
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